

Commissioner's Healthcare Workforce Recognition Awards

The Commissioner's Health Workforce Advisory Committee (HWAC) of the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) introduces a new initiative - the establishment of the Virginia Commissioner's Healthcare Workforce Awards.

The Virginia Commissioner's Healthcare Workforce Awards will recognize and thank individuals and organizations for making significant contributions to our communities via initiatives designed to address Virginia's healthcare workforce shortage.

Virginia Commissioner's Awards: Healthcare Workforce Individual Award for Distinguished Service Healthcare Workforce Organization Award for Outstanding Contribution

The first award, "The Virginia Commissioner's Healthcare Workforce Individual Award for Distinguished Service" will acknowledge persons that are actively involved in successful initiatives addressing healthcare workforce shortages. The individual must have played an important role in the design and implementation and success of the program.

The second award, "The Virginia Commissioner's Healthcare Workforce Organization Award for Outstanding Contribution" will recognize organization's innovation and excellent performance in their efforts designed to address and enhance health care workforce shortage initiatives.

These awards will be presented at the 2007 Health Workforce Advisory Committee Annual Meeting. All recipients will be recognized on the VDH, Office of Health Policy and Planning website.

Number of Awards for 2007:

Up to five (5) individual "Distinguished Service" awards

Up to three (3) organizational "Outstanding Contribution" awards

Volunteers for the Awards Committee will be accepted **through September 30, 2006**.

If interested, contact Karen Reed via email: Karen.Reed@vdh.virginia.gov or phone: 804-864-7435

Note: Award Committee members are not eligible to enter this competition.

Qualifications and criteria for these awards will be posted on the VDH, website at:

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/ohpp/healthworkforcecommittee.asp>

Fully completed and detailed nomination packets must be submitted to the address below.

Packets will be received from **March 1, 2007 through May 1, 2007**.

Nomination packets **will not be accepted** by fax or e-mail.

If you would like to nominate an outstanding individual or organization, complete a nomination packet and mail to:

Health Workforce Awards Committee
Virginia Department of Health
Office of Health Policy & Planning
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Richmond, Virginia 23219